

***Linda Conner*** was born and raised in Charleston, West Virginia. Her family owned a flower business where she worked for many years and led to a lifetime appreciation of all things creative. Being born into a world of color and design, she developed her sense of happiness through art. Growing up she continued her studies at Concord College in Athens, West Virginia and University of Kentucky in Lexington, Kentucky. Never losing sight of who she was, and always remembering the reason art is so important to her, she continues to give people a reason to smile, a feeling of happiness, in all her artistic creations. Linda has found teaching art sets off the spark she was seeking. When she paints or teaches painting, she wants to surround others with joy, making the world a happier place. Through forty years of painting and teaching, Linda has honed her skills. Her art is known for great attention to detail, the cheer and happiness that they evoke and their whimsical playfulness. Linda has a lifetime goal to enrich people's lives with color. Her artwork has been displayed at various art galleries in West Virginia. She has featured many of her pieces at the Greenbrier and Tamarack. Additionally she frequently participates in and judges at local art fairs and festivals. By all standards, Linda's mantra is "be happy".